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From: Mogharabi, Nahal
Sent: Thur 8/7/2014 7:38:15 PM
Subject: RE: July 17 letter to DOGGR

Thanks, Michele.

The reporter has the July 17th letter and attachments. These were her questions after looking through the documents.

I can just refer her back to both our letter and the response that DOGGR sent us back in 2012 that may help.

From: Dermer, Michele
Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2014 12:32 PM
To: Johnson, AudreyL
Cc: Mogharabi, Nahal; Zito, Kelly; Albright, David; Montgomery, Michael; Woo, Nancy
Subject: RE: July 17 letter to DOGGR

Hi Audrey,

I think sending a copy of Jared's July 17 letter could be helpful. She is inquiring about two separate but related issues - the first being one of the findings related to our 2011 review (audit) regarding the Class II program overall and the definition of a USDW, and the second point is related our 2012 review on aquifer exemptions. I think the letter summarizes this history pretty well and explains what the State has done in these intervening years. Let me know if you would like anything else.

Michele

From: Johnson, AudreyL
Sent: Thursday, August 7, 2014 12:00 PM
To: Dermer, Michele; Albright, David; Montgomery, Michael; Woo, Nancy
Cc: Mogharabi, Nahal; Zito, Kelly
Subject: FW: July 17 letter to DOGGR

Hi Michele,

In my basic understanding answering the below inquiry isn't simple. However, I may be wrong. Please take a look at let us know.

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From: Mogharabi, Nahal
Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2014 11:52 AM
To: Zito, Kelly; Johnson, AudreyL
Subject: FW: July 17 letter to DOGGR

Please see the below follow up from Inside EPA. I know folks are out. Is there an easy answer to this? If not, I can just tell her that folks are out on this and those documents are all I have.

From: Bridget DiCosmo [<mailto:bdicosmo@iwpnews.com>]
Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2014 11:48 AM
To: Mogharabi, Nahal
Subject: RE: July 17 letter to DOGGR

Hi, Nahal,
Quick question -- in 2011, I remember writing about EPA's concerns that California may be using a 3,000 mg/L of TDS definition as those above which are not considered USDWs for the purposes of underground injection. At the time, DOGGR said, if I recall, that no action plan was necessary but that they were aware of the disconnect between their definition and the USDW definition of 10,000 mg/L of TDS that is in SDWA and would be using EPA's definition from that point forward.

I'm having trouble understanding what happened between then and now that EPA is now asking for DOGGR to submit all of the aquifer exemption data. Any insight you might be able to provide, on background, would be hugely helpful in my understanding what's going on.

Many thanks,
Bridget

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Subject: RE: July 17 letter to DOGGR

Hi Bridget,

Attached is a copy of our letter to the state as well as the attachments associated with it, including EPA's 2012 review.

Thanks,

Nahal

From: Bridget DiCosmo [mailto:bdicosmo@iwpnews.com]
Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2014 8:14 AM
To: Zito, Kelly; Keener, Bill; Skadowski, Suzanne; Mogharabi, Nahal
Subject: July 17 letter to DOGGR

Hi, all,
I'm a reporter with Inside EPA. Not sure who is best to address this, but I was trying to get a copy of the July 17 letter from EPA to John Laird at DOGGR concerning its UIC Class II program. Please let me know.
Thanks much,
Bridget

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